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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration of the application is requested.

Claims 1-5 and 7-15 are now in the application. Claims 1, 7, 9, and 12-14 have been amended. Claim 6 has been canceled. More specifically, the subject matter of claim 6 has been incorporated into claim 1. In light of the indicated allowability of claim 6, the amended claim 1 is now in condition for allowance.

Claims 12-14 have each been rewritten in independent form. In light of the indicated allowability thereof, these claims are now in condition for allowance.

The necessary corrections have been made in response to the rejection of claims 1 and 9 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph.

Counsel's payment in the amount of \$100.00 for one extra independent claim over three is enclosed. The total number of claims remains below 20.

Respectfully submitted,

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